GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1134
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OPENING OF ANGANWADI CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds given to States for opening of Anganwadi Centres during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the number of Anganwadi Centres required for successful implementation of the scheme State-wise;

(c) the time by which these are likely to be set up;

(d) whether the Supreme Court has directed the Union Government to set up 1.85 lakh Anganwadi or child-care day centers in the country within a year;

(e) if so, Government`s reaction thereto;

(f) whether the Union Government has received requests from States to open more Anganwadi Centres during the last two years;

(g) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(h) the number of such centers sanctioned so far, State-wise;

(i) whether the Government has received World Bank assistance for setting up of these Centres;

(j) if so, the details thereof; and

(k) the number of centers approved with the assistance, State-wise particularly in North Eastern states?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATIKANTI SINGH)

(a): State-wise details of funds released under the ICDS Scheme during the last three years are given in Annexure-I.

(b)&(c): At present, 5652 Projects with 7,54,315 Anganwadi Centres have been -sanctioned under the ICDS Scheme. The State-wise number of sanctioned and operational Projects/Centres, as on 31.08.2004, is given in Annexure-II. The Supreme Court, vide its order dated 29.4.2004 has, inter-alia, directed the Government of India to state the period by which it proposes to increase the number of Anganwadi Centres so as to cover 14 lakh habitations. Accordingly, the States were requested to submit their requirement for additional Projects/Anganwadi Centres. As per existing population norms of the Scheme, the States/UTs have indicated requirement of 467 additional Projects and 1,88,168 Anganwadi Centres as at Annexure-III. The proposal for sanction of these additional Projects/Centres is under process.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

(f),(g)&(h); Requests were received from certain States but these could not be considered as expansion of the Scheme in the X Plan was not permitted. However, these requests, by and large, have been covered in the proposal referred to in parts (b) & (c) above.

(i), (j) & (k): Out of 5652 sanctioned Projects, 922 Projects in 12 States, namely, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Mahrashtra, Kerala, Tamilnadu, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Orissa, Uttaranchal and Andhra Pradesh are being implemented with World Bank assistance.